Rubric: Written Report

Criteria	Professional	Experienced	Developing	Novice
Content The information communicated by the written report 40 points	☐ The information sufficiently summarized the issue/topic. (10 points)	Overall, the information adequately summarized the topic/issue. (8 points)	☐ The information left some gaps in the issue/topic. (6 points)	☐ The information failed to summarize the issue/topic. (4 points)
	☐ Conclusions reached were logical and fully supported by research. (10 points)	☐ Conclusions reached were reasonable but lacked supporting documentation in a few cases. (8 points)	☐ Conclusions reached were inconsistent in their logic and lacked supporting documentation. (6 points)	☐ Questionable conclusions were reached that were not supported by the research. (4 points)
	☐ The conclusions were based on the most recent documentation available. (10 points)	☐ The conclusions were based, overall, on current information. (8 points)	☐ The conclusions were based on outdated information that was still relevant. (6 points)	☐ The conclusions were based on outdated information that was no longer relevant. (4 points)
	☐ Makes virtually no grammatical or syntactical errors. Establishes credibility with the audience. (10 points)	☐ Writes generally correct prose; occasionally fails to catch minor grammatical errors. (8 points)	☐ Makes disruptive grammatical/syntactical errors such as run-ons, fragments, unintelligible sentences. (6 points)	☐ Makes repeated grammatical or syntactical errors. Frequently misspells homonyms. (4 points)

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Communication Ability to express oneself so as to be understood by others 30 points	☐ Ideas were expressed clearly in language that was easy to understand. (10 points)	☐ Ideas were expressed clearly with only a few words being difficult to understand. (8 points)	□ Both ideas and words required much effort to understand.(6 points)	☐ Ideas were vague and elusive, and language was difficult to understand. (4 points)			
	☐ Accurate visual aids, including charts and graphs, supported, focused, clarified, and reinforced information given. (10 points)	☐ Accurate visual aids, including charts and graphs, added some support to the information given. (8 points)	☐ Visual aids, including charts and graphs, were related to information given, but did not clarify or reinforce it. (6 points)	☐ Visual aids, including charts and graphs, detracted from presentation raising many questions. (4 points)			
	☐ Report was neat, grammatically correct, and error-free. (10 points)	Report was neat but contained minor errors that did not detract from total report. (8 points)	 □ Report contained slight smudges, blurred letters, and grammatical errors that were distracting. (6 points) 	☐ Report was messy, with many errors in spelling and grammar. (4 points)			
Organization How the information is put together 30 points	 Main points were easy to follow and logical with points building on each other. (10 points) 	☐ Main points were generally easy to follow and logical. (8 points)	□ Main points were logical but difficult to follow.(6 points)	☐ Main points were so difficult to follow that their logic could not be determined, or they were illogical. (4 points)			
	☐ Sections were clearly identified, and material was easily located. (10 points)	☐ Sections were clearly identified and only a few items were difficult to locate. (8 points)	□ Some sections were not identified, and several items were difficult to locate. (6 points)	☐ Sections ran together or were not identified, and material was difficult to locate. (4 points)			
	□ Supporting documentation was complete and clearly labeled. (10 points)	□ Supporting documentation was clearly labeled, but some items were missing. (8 points)	□ Some supporting documentation was missing, and some was inaccurately labeled. (6 points)	☐ Supporting documentation was not provided. (4 points)			